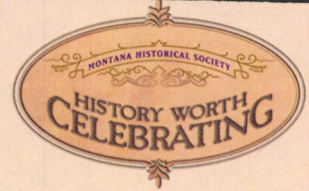


The Montana Historical Society

The Montana Historical Society promotes understanding and appreciation of Montana's cultural heritage – past, present and future.



The Montana Historical Society was chartered by the Montana Territorial Legislature on Feb. 2, 1865, and authorized by Territorial Governor Sidney Edgerton, 24 years before Montana became a state, and will celebrate 150 years in 2015. Think of the vision our founding fathers had to recognize that something worth remembering was going to happen and it's our responsibility to preserve and share our heritage with future generations.

The Montana Historical Society is home to five major program areas:

- **Montana's Museum**, with our world renowned collection of Charles M. Russell works, an extensive Native American collection and five main galleries, is perhaps the most recognizable face of the MHS. That's not all, however.
- **The Research Center and State Archives** is home to millions of archival documents, over 500,000 historical photographs, maps, books and business and government records—all accessible to the public. This is "Montana's Memory."
- **The State Historic Preservation Office** works with communities, tribes and property owners across Montana to assess and preserve the historic integrity of our special places and artifacts. This office is also home to the National Register of Historic Places.
- **The Montana Historical Society Press and Publications** program publishes *Montana The Magazine of Western History*. Published continuously since 1951, this is regarded as one of the best journals of history in the United States today. The Press also publishes 2-3 new books annually and has over 65 books in print.
- **The Outreach and Interpretation** program provides educational resources, public programs, teacher workshops and classroom tools across the state. We present approximately 150 public programs each year, including the Montana History Conference, and work closely with the Office of Public Instruction, to deliver Indian Education for All materials in our schools, and innovative ways to use them.

To truly appreciate the Montana Historical Society's stewardship of our remarkable heritage, please come visit and see the work.

The Montana Historical Society belongs to, you, the People of Montana!

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